Statement

Provisions regarding import and export of wild animals and articles made thereof in the Import and Export Policy (1990-93)

I. EXPORT

(i) *PART (A) - Items export of which is not allowed*

Sl. No.	Description of item
19	(i) Frogs and parts thereof.
30	Ivory and ivory products made out of unmanufactured ivory.
31	Manufactured items made out of reptile/snake skins and mangoose hair.
43	Peacock tail feather
50	Sea-shells and sea-weeds, all types.
64	The export of all forms of wildlife (dead or alive) or part thereof or produced therefrom) including stuffed animals in whole or part are completely banned except for those mentioned in Part B.
	(ii) *PART—(B) Items allowed for export merit*
4	Exotic birds:
	1. Albino budgerigars
	2. Bengali finches
	3. Budgerigars
	4. Java sparrow
	5. White finches
	6. Zebra finches
27	Venom of snakes (in manufactured form)
	(iii) *Items allowed for export against limited ceiling*
	Handicraft items made of peacock tail feathers.
12	Manufactured items made of porcupine quills and shed antlers.

II. IMPORT

Import of Animals, Birds and Reptiles:

Import of animals, birds and reptiles for zoos, and zoological parks or for scientific/research purposes and by circus companies and private individuals may be allowed subject to the provisions of Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Fauna and Flora (CITES). Ivory is included in the list of items import of which is restricted.

Small number of local employees in the Kendriya Vidyalayas in N. E. Region

*297. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:
SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of persons belonging to the N. E. Region employed as teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas located in that region is very small;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the details of efforts, if any, made by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for recruiting more techers from that region to fill up the vacancies occurring every year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA). (a) to (c) The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is an autonomous body, under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, fully financed by the Govt. of India, 744 Kendriya Vidyalayas spread all over the country, including 3 abroad, are run by it to cater to the educational needs of the children of the transferable Central Government employees including defence personnel. In view of its all-India

character, the recruitment to the teaching posts in Kendriya Vidyalaya in different parts of the country is done on all-India basis and the vacancies are notified in the Employment News and in the leading newspapers throughout the country. The recurits are selected irrespective of the areas to which they belong.

In order to fill up the large number of vacancies in the North-East Region, a special recruitment drive, on all-India level, was made in 1984 for exclusive service in the Region. As a result of special efforts, 51 posts of PGTs, 96 posts of TGTs and 110 posts of PRTs were filled up in 1984.

The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has been making constant efforts to fill up the posts of teachers in the Kendriya Vidyalayas in different areas including North-East Region every year as a part of its annual recruitment plan

Degraded forest lands to private entrepreneurs for growing trees

*298. SHRI S. MADHAVAN·
SHRI R. T. GOPALAN·

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to hand over degraded forest lands to private entrepreneurs for growing trees, and

(b) if so, on what terms and conditions such possession is proposed to be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Ascertaining the membership strength KVS

*299. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has asked its recognised associations of employees to submit their membership strength by the 15th May, 1990; and

(b) if so, what is the detailed procedure adopted for ascertaining the membership strength?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Recognition of Association Rules, before the first day of July each year, the recognised associations are required to furnish to the Sangathan, *inter alia*, Statement of Membership alongwith certified copies of enrolement forms in respect of members and proof of subscription.

Advanced light helicopter project

*300. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA.
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) what progress has been made so far on the Advanced light helicopter project;

(b) by when the project is likely to be completed;

(c) what was the original schedule in this regard;

(d) what was the initial cost estimate of the project and what is the current estimate; and

(e) what is the amount already spent on it?